

Phil. 139
Metaethics

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REQUIRED TEXTS

Reader at UCEN bookstore

REQUIRED WORK

Two hour tests and a take-home final.

The take-home final is due Monday Dec 7 by 7 PM, at my office.

If you have a good reason why you are unable to take a test or submit the paper on time, you must inform me before the day of the exam or the day the take home is due. Otherwise, there will be a penalty for lateness.

A grade of incomplete will be approved only for a confirmed medical or family emergency. The due date to complete the work will be no later than the second week of Winter Term.

You must complete all the required work to pass the course.

WEEKLY ASSIGNMENTS

(All assignments are in the reader. The Ayer reading was left out of the table of contents, but is in the reader. Week 1 consists of Sept. 24.)

- Week 1 Timmons: "Metaethics and Methodology"
- Week 2 Moore: The Subject Matter of Ethics, The Conception of Intrinsic Value
- Week 3 Ayer, Critique of Ethics and Theology.
- Week 4 Harman: Ethics and Observation; Harman: Moral Relativism
- Week 5 Harman: cont'd; HOUR TEST, Oct, 22.
- Week 6 Mackie: The Subjectivity of Values
- Week 7 Brink: Moral Realism and Skeptical Arguments. Smith: Humean Theory of Mot.
- Week 8 Railton: Aesthetic and Moral Value
- Week 9 HOUR TEST, Nov 17 Korsgaard: Prologue and Normative Question
- Week 10 Korsgaard: cont'd. Thanksgiving
- Week 11 Shafer-Landau: The Non-Cognitivist and Constructivist Challenges.

